(*c*) the principle on which the distribution was effected among the employees; and

(*d*) whether the non-pensionable staff was given the benefit of this bonus?

MR. E. G. SALTER: (*a*) 5 per cent of the net profit in each year.

(*b*) 13-5-1943. Distributed in Chingom after the Balance Sheet was approved by Government.

(*c*) The amount is distributed in the proportion of the total salary drawn by each employee during the year.

(*d*) Yes. The non-pensionable staff only are the participants in the distribution.

MR. P. S. NATARAJA PILLAI: Are the pensionable staff of the Department participants of this bonus scheme.

MR. E. G. SALTER: No, Sir.

PRESIDENT: It was a definite rule made when the Department was started.

MR. K. A. MATHEW: May I know whether the Director is a participant?

MR. E. G. SALTER: No, Sir.

MR. P. K. KURIAKOSE (*Muvattupuzha* cum *Devicolam*): May I know whether any other department gives bonus to its employees?

PRESIDENT: The question does not arise.

Rule Book for drivers and conductors in the State Transport Department.

149. ***MR. P. S. NATARAJA PILLAI**: Will the Government be pleased to state whether the rules contained in the Rule Book for drivers and conductors issued by the State Transport Department at the time of its inception are still in force; if not, the date on which they were cancelled or withdrawn?

MR. E. G. SALTER: The rules contained in the Rule Book are still in force subject to slight modifications made from time to time.

MR. P. S. NATARAJA PILLAI: Has the Director taken any pains to see whether these rules are being followed by the conductors of the services run by the Transport Department?

MR. E. G. SALTER: Yes, Sir.

Opening of new Colleges.

150. ***MR. K. A. MOHAMED** (*Quilon* cum *Kottarakara*): Will the Government be pleased to state whether they have received any applications for permission to open new colleges in any part of the State?

MR. H. C. PAPWORTH (*Pro-Vice-Chancellor*): No.

Muslim girl students in the University Colleges.

151. ***MR. P. S. MOHAMED** (*Nominated*): Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement showing the number of Muslim girl students in the University Colleges for Arts and Science?

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